

**CONTINUED PROSECUTION APPLICATION (CPA)
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Sir:

This is a request under 37 CFR 1.53(d) for filing a CPA
(XX) Continuation () Division
of application No. 09/204,123, filed December 2, 1998. By KAZUTAKA SHIBATA and
TSUNEMORI YAMAGUCHI, et al.

For: METHOD OF SURFACE-MOUNTING ELECTRIC COMPONENTS

Group Art Unit: 3729

Examiner: S. Smith

Attorney Docket No.: 8046.037US1
800241.0042

Applicant understands that this CPA application automatically ABANDONS the parent application.

NOTES

FILING QUALIFICATIONS: The prior application identified above must be a non-provisional application that is either: (1) complete as defined by 37 CFR 1.51(b), or (2) the national stage of an international application in compliance with 35 U.S.C. 371. Effective May 29, 2000, a CPA may only be filed in a utility or a plant application if the prior non-provisional application was filed before May 29, 2000. A CPA may be filed in a design application regardless of the filing date of the prior application. See "Request for Continued Examination Practice changes to and Provisional Application Practice," Final Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 50092 (Aug. 16, 2000); Interim Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 14865 (Mar. 20, 2000), 1233 Off. Gaz. Pat. Office (Apr. 11, 2000).

C-I-P NOT PERMITTED: A continuation-in-part application cannot be filed as a CPA under 37 CFR 1.53(d), but must be filed under 37 CFR 1.53(b).

EXPRESS ABANDONMENT OF PRIOR APPLICATION: The filing of this CPA is a request to expressly abandon the prior application as of the filing date of the request for CPA. 37 CFR 1.53(b) must be used to file a continuation, divisional, or continuation-in-part of an application that is not be abandoned.

ACCESS TO PRIOR APPLICATION: The filing of this CPA will be construed to include a waiver of confidentiality by the applicant under 35 U.S.C. 122 to the extent that any member of the public who is entitled under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.14 to access to, copies of, or information concerning, the prior application may be given similar access to, copies of, or similar information concerning, the other application or applications in the file jacket.

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35.U.S.C. 120 STATEMENT: In a CPA, no reference to the prior application is needed in the first sentence of the specification and none should be submitted. If a sentence referencing the prior application is submitted, it will not be entered. A request for a CPA is the specific reference required by 35 U.S.C. 120 and to every application assigned the application number identified in such request, 37 CFR 1.78(a).

Enclosed are:

- () Small entity status: Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27.
- () Please record the enclosed assignment(s) to _____
- (X) A petition to extend time to respond in the above-identified prior application complying with the OG Notice of June 14, 1984 is enclosed.
- () Please enter the amendment under §1.116 dated _____ and unentered in the prior application.
- () Please enter the enclosed preliminary amendment.
- () Please cancel claim(s) _____
- () This application is filed by fewer than all the inventors named in the prior application, 37 CFR 1.53(d)(4).
 - a. DELETE the following inventor(s) named in the prior nonprovisional application:
 - b. The inventor(s) to be deleted are set forth on a separate sheet attached hereto.
- () A check in the amount of \$ _____ to cover the fee for recording the assignment(s).
- (X) Return Receipt Postcard
- () Other: _____

CLAIMS AFTER ENTRY OF ANY AMENDMENTS, LESS ANY CANCELED CLAIMS

Basic Fee

Independent Claims	2	-	3	0	X	\$80.00
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Fee for Multiple Dependent Claims						\$270.00

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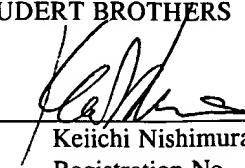
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- () Statement(s) of Status as Small Entity, reducing Filing Fee by half to \$0.00
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- () The payment of the Filing Fee is to be deferred until the Declaration is filed. Do not charge our Deposit Account.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required in this application under 37 C.F.R. §§1.16-1.17 during its entire pendency, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 13-0201. Should no proper payment be enclosed herewith, as a check being in the wrong amount, unsigned, postdated, otherwise improper or informal or even entirely missing, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to Deposit Account No. 13-0201. This sheet is filed in (X) duplicate or () triplicate.

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